

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE:

In re Application of: )  
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Emmanuel Conseiller et al. ) Group Art Unit: To Be Assigned  
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Application Number: To Be Assigned ) Examiner: To Be Assigned  
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Filed: April 11, 2001 )  
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For: POLYPEPTIDES CAPABLE OF INTERACTING WITH ONCOGENIC MUTANTS  
OF THE p53 PROTEIN

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination on the merits, please amend this application.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 1, before line 1, INSERT the following paragraph:

--This application claims priority to international PCT application PCT/FR99/02465, filed October 12, 1999, and priority to prior U.S. provisional application 60/132,331, filed May 3, 1999, and priority to French application FR 98/12754 filed October 12, 1998, each of which are specifically incorporated herein by reference to the full extent allowed. --

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please CANCEL claims 1-30 and INSERT new claims 31-97, as follows.

--31. A polypeptide capable of interacting specifically with oncogenic forms of p53, and capable of stimulating cell growth, and capable of blocking the antiproliferative effects of the wild-type form of p53.